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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In reply to the Decision issued on July 16, 2008 by the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences (the Board), and further in view of the Memorandum and Order issued by the Office of General Counsel of the U.S. Patent & Trademark Office, a copy of which is attached, the period for reply is extended from September 16, 2008 to February 20, 2009. Accordingly, Applicants' submission of this Amendment to accompany a Request for Continued Examination is timely. Please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 3 of this paper.